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## **ABSTRACT**

A motor vehicle drive recorder system and system for recording motor vehicle data in response to an event declared by an occupant of a motor vehicle includes a sensor for generating sensor signals indicative of motor vehicle data as a function of time. A switch generates an event signal indicative of a declared event in response to an occupant of the motor vehicle actuating the switch. A memory device stores the sensor signals as a function of time. An output device outputs the sensor signals stored in the memory device. A processor is operable with the sensor, the switch, the memory device, and the output device to write sensor signals into the memory device, to mark at least one sensor signal written to the memory device as corresponding in time to the declared event in response to the switch generating an event signal, and to transfer from the memory device to the output device the sensor signals stored in the memory device proximate in time to the declared event.